

THE WYCOMBE MATCH

For those who were unable to travel with the team to Wycombe on Saturday last a few comments on what turned out to be a dingdong struggle ending in a draw without either side scoring. Our team was Brian Ede, Les Tilley, Bobby Hames, Dave Andrews, Mick Thomson, John Charles, John Albion, Ken Gray, Mick Emmerson, Brian Adams and Brian Harvey. Alan Kimble was 12th man. Brian Ede, who came in for Bill Hadlow, who reported sick, had a fine game on the tricky slope, and dealt with a number of corners taken by that old hand Len Worley in a capital manner. This is a difficult job especially when kicks come from up the slope, but Brian was equal to all emergencies. It was generally conceded after the game that our side had the edge in football ability and tactics, and the Wycombe goal had many narrow escapes. Of the forwards, Ken Gray was outstanding and laid on some excellent opportunities but the Wycombe keeper was in good form and was equal to all calls made upon him. It was, however, not all Leytonstone and Wycombe had a period in each half when they exerted strong pressure on our goal. Our defence was sound with Mick Emmerson and Bobby Hames having good matches. Our team generally showed signs of blending into a good sound side and produced some fine flowing movements with the ball on the ground, which augured well for the future.

On the whole a satisfactory performance and the gathering of a point at Wycombe, a successful day.